

State of California — The Resources Agency  
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION  
**PRIMARY RECORD**

Primary #  
HRI #  
Trinomial  
NRHP Status Code 3CB, 5D3

Other Listings  
Review Code

Reviewer

Date

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\*Resource Name or #: 125 E. College St.

**P1. Other Identifier:** Fire Station

\***P2. Location:** ☐ Not for Publication ☒ Unrestricted

\***a. County:**

and (P2b and P2c or P2d. Attach a Location Map as necessary.)

\***b. USGS 7.5' Quad:**

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**; M.D.**

**B.M.**

c. Address: 125 E. College St.

City: Covina

Zip: 91723

d. UTM: Zone: 10 ; mE/ mN (G.P.S.)

e. Other Locational Data: AIN:8445-001-913

Elevation:

(located behind City Hall)

\***P3a. Description:** (Describe resource and its major elements. Include design, materials, condition, alterations, size, setting, and boundaries)

Potential contributor to Covina's potential Downtown Historic District. Known locally as the old Fire Station, 125 East College Street is located behind City Hall and was constructed in 1911. The building was originally built as a fire station for the community's volunteer fire department (see historic photo) later also accommodated a jail. The building is rectangular in shape and is sheathed in stucco. The building features a Mission style parapet. The building has experienced little alteration and is an important and well documented building in Covina's Downtown development that has significance as a contributor to the downtown. The building was used as a fire station until around 1930, when the adjacent City Hall was built and provided a new fire station. The building housed a jail until the mid-1970s when the need for more cell space required a new jail to be built elsewhere. The building is currently used by the Historical Society as a community resource and to house the city's historical archives.

\***P3b. Resource Attributes:** (HP6) 1-3 story commercial building

\***P4. Resources Present:** ☒ Building ☐ Structure ☐ Object ☐ Site ☐ District ☒ Element of District ☐ Other (Isolates, etc.)

P5a. Photo or Drawing



P5b. Description of Photo:  
View NE (10/1/06)

\***P6. Date Constructed/Age and Sources:** ☒ Historic

☐ Prehistoric ☐ Both

1911 (Local records and hist. photos)

\***P7. Owner and Address:**

\***P8. Recorded by:**

Historic Preservation Partners  
419 Concord Avenue  
Monrovia, Ca 91016

\***P9. Date Recorded:** 10/1/06

\***P10. Survey Type:**

Intensive Survey

\***P11. Report Citation:** Covina Town Center Historic Resource Survey prepared for City of Covina by Historic Preservation Partners (2006-7)

\***Attachments:** ☐ NONE ☐ Location Map ☐ Sketch Map

☐ Object Record

☒ Continuation

Sheet

☒ Building,

Structure,

and

Object

Record

☐ Archaeological Record ☒ District Record ☐ Linear Feature Record ☐ Milling Station Record ☐ Rock Art Record

☐ Artifact Record ☐ Photograph Record ☐ Other (List):

## BUILDING, STRUCTURE, AND OBJECT RECORD

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\*Resource Name or # 125 E. College St.

B1. Historic Name:

B2. Common Name:

B3. Original Use:

B4. Present Use:

\*B5. Architectural Style: Mission Revival

\*B6. Construction History: (Construction date, alterations, and date of alterations)

The building was originally built as a fire station for the community's volunteer fire department (see historic photo) and later also accommodated a jail. The building was used as a fire station until around 1930, when the adjacent City Hall was built and provided a new fire station. The building housed a jail until the mid-1970s when the need for more cell space required a new jail to be built elsewhere. The building is currently used by the Historical Society as a community resource and to house the city's historical archives. The building has experienced little alteration apart from some fairly recent interior alterations to accommodate its new use as a historical society museum and archive.

\*B7. Moved? ☒ No ☐ Yes ☐ Unknown Date:

Original Location:

\*B8. Related Features: none

B9a. Architect:

b. Builder:

\*B10. Significance: Theme: Community Architecture

Area: Covina

Period of Significance: 1911-1950

Property Type: Community Building

Applicable Criteria: A and/or C (NR), 1 and/or 3 (CR), 1, 4 and/or 5 (local)

(Discuss importance in terms of historical or architectural context as defined by theme, period, and geographic scope. Also address integrity.)

135 E. College St. is locally significant under National Register Criteria A: Events/Broad Patterns and C: Design/Construction. 135 E. College St. is an important and well documented building in Covina's Downtown development that not only has significance as a contributor to the downtown, but also as a building with individual local significance as the community fire station and jail. The building appears eligible for the California Register and Covina's local register under the same criteria (California Register Criteria 1 and/or 3 and Local Register Criteria 1, 4 and 5). It has not been altered significantly and retains historic integrity.

B11. Additional Resource Attributes: (List attributes and codes)

\*B12. References:

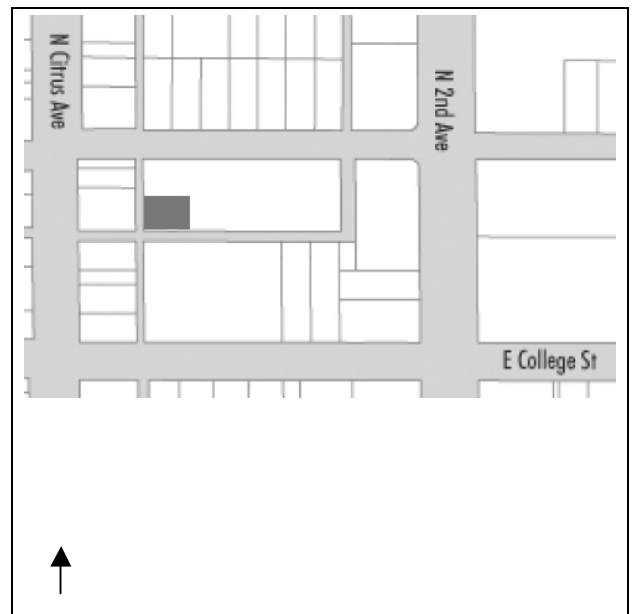
- Don Pflueger, Covina: Sunflowers, Citrus, Subdivisions (Pasadena: Castle Press, 1964).
- Covina Building Permit File
- Los Angeles County Assessor's Records
- Historical Society Photographs

B13. Remarks:

\*B14. Evaluator:

Historic Preservation Partners  
419 Concord Avenue  
Monrovia, Ca 91016

\*Date of Evaluation: Oct. 1, 2006



# CONTINUATION SHEET

Historic Photograph of the Fire Station



\*Recorded by: Historic Preservation Partners  
DPR 523L (1/95)

\*Date: 10/1/06

☒ Continuation ☐ Update

\*Required information